

CHAPTER 208

PACKAGING AND HANDLING

A. GENERAL

This chapter provides general guidance on the handling of packaged materiel.

B. RESPONSIBILITIES

1. Installation Commanding Officers will ensure:

a. All personnel involved with the shipment and preparation of hazardous materials to include handling and loading are trained in accordance with the requirements of 49 U-R, AFJMAN 24-204, and other modal regulatory requirements.

b. All personnel involved in handling, repackaging, and loading operations are properly trained and understand marking and labeling requirements. Suggested source of training is the School of Military Packaging Technology, Aberdeen Proving Grounds, Maryland 21005-5001.

c. All personnel who operate MHE are properly trained and licensed.

d. Work areas are laid out to avoid bottlenecks and back-handling of materiel.

e. All personnel understand and adhere to proper Occupational Safety and Health Administration requirements.

C. REPACKAGING

1. Transportation operations should not have to repackage materiel. Repackaging should only be done when absolutely necessary.

2. If transportation personnel suspects that materiel may require repackaging, they should **first** contact the installation packaging and preservation representative. Additional information can be obtained from the appropriate packaging and preservation representatives listed in Figure 208-1, Inventory Control Points (ICPs).

3. Appropriate packaging materials and shipping containers must be used.

D. HANDLING

1. Do not remove/tear tape, labels or other items from any containers, especially fiberboard boxes.

2. If you drop or damage something, report it promptly. Procedures for transportation discrepancy reporting are detailed in Chapter 210.

3. Do not put heavy items on top of light items when unitizing loads.

4. Maintain correct separation and segregation of hazardous materials at all times in accordance with Joint Service publication: DLAM 4145.1 I/TM 38-410/NAVSUPPUB 573/AFR 69.9/MCO P4450. 12, Storage and Handling of Hazardous Materials.

E. MARKING AND LABELING

1. Marking and Labeling are means of communication identified in MIL-STD-129, Marking for Shipment and Storage, and 49 CFR.

2. If required marking or label is faded, damaged, or illegible, the TO should contact the installation packaging and preservation representative.

3. Hazardous materials labeling must be in accordance with the applicable modal regulations and clearly visible.

4. Local labels will not be used unless specifically authorized by service/agency authority.

F. UNITIZATION

Unitization is the assembly of a group of containers or items into a single load. Unitization encompasses, but is not limited to, consolidation in a container, placement on a pallet or load base, or securely binding together. Guidance for **palletization** and banding of unit loads is found in MIL-STD-147, **Palletized Unit Loads**.

INVENTORY CONTROL POINTS (ICPs)

<u>AGENCY</u>	<u>DSN TELEPHONE</u>	<u>DSN FAX</u>
AIR FORCE		
75 ABW/LGTP, Hill AFB UT	777-4495	777-5161
72 ABW/LGTP, Tinker AFB OK	339-7969	339-3839
77 ABW/LGTP, McClellan AFB CA	633-2375	633-4674
76 LG/LGTP, Kelly AFB TX	945-6511	945-1347
78 ABW/LGTP, Robins APB GA	468-5007	468-5932
ARMY		
AMCCOM (SMCAR-ESK)	793-6164	793-6339
ATCOM (AMSAT-I-SDP)	693-2372	693-1844
CECOM (AMSEL-LC-MMD-P)	992-3623	992-2929
MICOM (AMSMI-MMC-MM-DP)	746-4007	788-2467
TACOM (AMSTA-GTP)		786-6267786-
8744		
DLA		
DCSC-VSP	850-3345	850-5068
DESC-ELVP	986-5075	986-5203
DISC-EVS	442-4362	442-4534
DGSC-ZZS	695-4454	695-6287
DPSC-FRFT (C&T)	444-5966	444-5655
DPSC-MSCBP (Medical)	444-3161	444-2058
DPSC-HROA (Subsistence)	444-5353	444-41 15/7774
DFSC-QR	427-9700	427-9672
MARINE CORPS		
MCLB ALBANY GA (CODE 87)	567-6855	567-6873
NAVY		
NAVICP (CODE 0512), Philadelphia PA	442-2183	442-4965
NAVICP (CODE 0541), Mechanicsburg PA	430-2243	430-1615
NAVORDCEN-IMSD (CODE 62)	430-3142	430-5386
NAVORDCEN-AMMOPAC	735-8506	735-8505
NAVORDCENOAMMOLANT	953-4940	953-4587

Figure 208-1. Inventory Control Points (ICPs).